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APPENDIX I:

THE SUBSTITUTE SECTION(S) OF THE SPECIFICATION (clean version):

On page 1:

• Delete the paragraph beginning in indicated line 33 and ending in indicated line 40 and insert in its stead:

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Olefin oligomers having up to 30 carbon atoms are of great economic importance. The oligomers are useful as starting materials for copolymeric plastics (e.g. 1-hexene) and as precursors of oxo alcohols (e.g. 1-hexene, the decenes and the tetradecenes). Oxo alcohols are in turn constituents of surfactants and plasticizers for plastics. In an integrated chemical production, the oligomerization processes constitute a central step in which the industrial olefin streams which are obtained, for example, from the steam crackers are converted into products used in daily life.